- SEC. 2. The provisions of section one (1) of this Act shall be effective until the president of the United States declares that there is not a fuel shortage requiring the application of The Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act or until June 30, 1975, whichever time occurs first.
- SEC. 3. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred nine (321.209), Code 1973, is amended by striking subsection seven (7).
- SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect and be in force on March 1, 1974, after its publication in the West Des Moines Express, a newspaper published in West Des Moines, Iowa, and in The Sioux City Journal, a newspaper published in Sioux City, Iowa.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 1013, was published in the West Des Moines Express, West Des Moines, Iowa, February 14, 1974, and in The Sioux City Journal, Sioux City, Iowa, February 12, 1974.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 1190

FLASHING BLUE LIGHTS ON VEHICLES

H. F. 414

AN ACT permitting a flashing blue light to be used on a fire-fighting vehicle. Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred twenty-three (321.423), subsections two (2), three (3), four (4), and five (5), Code 1973, are amended to read as follows:

2. A motor vehicle operated by a member of an organized volunteer fire department, paid or volunteer, may be equipped with a lamp of any type or device thereon displaying a flashing blue light when such motor vehicle is duly authorized as hereinafter provided and while such motor vehicle is in actual use for at a fire or other fire emergency service such as operating an emergency rescue unit or an ambulance and the use of any type blue light or device shall be restricted to fire service vehicles only.

3. No volunteer fireman fire fighter shall be permitted to display a flashing blue light upon a motor vehicle as hereinbefore provided except while actually en route to the scene of a fire or other fire emergency requiring his services as a volunteer fireman fire fighter and unless he shall be an active member of an organized volunteer fire department and shall have been authorized in writing to so display a flashing blue light by the commissioner.

4. The commissioner is hereby empowered to authorize the display of a flashing blue light of any type upon a privately owned light delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, station wagon, or passenger type motor vehicle except a metorcycle or motor bicycle, owned or usually operated by a volunteer fireman fire fighter, and to issue a

24 certificate of authorization therefor, upon written request being made 25 on forms provided by the department and showing necessity for such 26 authorization. Such written request shall be accompanied by a state-27 ment in writing by the chief of the volunteer fire department of which 28 the applicant is a member certifying that the applicant is an active 29 member in good standing in said volunteer fire department and recommending that such authorization be granted. Such certificate of author-30 31 ization issued by the commissioner shall be at all times carried with 32 the certificate of registration of the vehicle to which it refers and shall expire at midnight on the thirty-first day of December in five years from the year in which it was issued. The commissioner may at 33 34 35 any time revoke such certificate of authorization upon a showing of 36 abuse thereof or upon notification by the certifying fire chief that 37 applicant has ceased to be an active member of the volunteer fire 38 department. 39

5. The provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to the use of a flashing blue light on a motor vehicle so authorized by the commissioner, but such flashing blue light shall not be used except when such motor vehicle is actually en route to the scene of a fire or other emergency requiring the services of a volunteer fireman fire

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CHAPTER 1191

HIGHWAY WARNING DEVICES

H. F. 1046

AN ACT relating to the use of warning devices.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred forty-seven (321.447), Code 1973, is amended to read as follows:

321.447 Trucks to carry flares. No person shall operate any motor truck or truck tractor upon a highway outside of a business or residence district at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise unless there shall be carried in such vehicle a sufficient number, not less than three, of flares, red reflector electric lanterns, red reflectors, reflective triangles or other signals capable of continuously producing three warning lights each visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet for a period of at least 8 hours, except that a motor vehicle transporting flammables shall carry red reflectors er, red reflector electric lanterns or reflective triangles in place of the other signals above mentioned, and during daylight hours every truck shall carry a sufficient number of red flags, not less than three, unless equipped with three reflective triangles.

Every such flare, lantern, signal, or reflector shall be of a type approved by the commissioner and he shall publish lists of those devices which he has approved as adequate for the purposes of this